Ex-Dallas Agent Has JFK 'Bombs'

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DALLAS (UPI) — Saying he would "drop bombs" if called to testify publicly on what he knows about the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, an FBI agent claims Congressional investigators don't want him to tell the true story.

"If they are going to try and contain this (assassination investigation) like the Church (Senate Intelligence) committee, and the Warren Commission, they don't want me up there," FBI agent James P. Hosty was quoted as saying in a copyrighted article in the Dallas Morning News.

Hosty said he would "drop bombs" if called to testify during the House Assassinations Committe's public hearings, but he doubted if he would be called because "I'm sure . . . they know everything . . . the whole story."

HOSTY, WHOSE name, automobile license and telephone number were found in Lee Harvey Oswald's personal notebook upon his arrest following Kennedy's death, was the FBI agent in Dallas who monitored Oswald's activities before the Nov. 22, 1963, assassination.

Transferred in 1964 to the Kansas City, Mo., FBI office where he now is approaching retirement, Hosty also is the agent quoted in a top-level agency memo issued hours after the President's death as saying the FBI had known Oswald was capable of killing Kennedy.

Hosty said the note was ordered destroyed two days after the assassination by J. Gordon Shanklin, then special agent in charge of Dallas FBI.

HOSTY SAID he spent 30 hours telling what he called the "true assassination story" to the Senate Intelligence Comittee, but was invited to testify for 3½ hours before the House committee only after he asked why he had not been called.

Hosty said committee investigators last month gave him the impression they were "all done with the investigation and they were writing the report (due in December) — that they were not opening any new grounds any more."

"IT LOOKED LIKE they (members of the House committee) were trying to avoid me," he said. "In fact, they almost didn't call me."

Hosty's name and other information were in a notebook Oswald had when arrested, but the FBI did not disclose that fact to the Warren Commission until Feb. 11, 1964 — after it had been reported by various news agencies.